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This Society was organized in 1860, and is the pioneer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies in this country.

It is undenominational, and so it presents a united Christian front to the heathen world.

It is carried on entirely by women, with unsalaried officers.

Its aim is the salvation and elevation of heathen women.

"Win for Christ," its motto.

A REGULATION has been passed in Bengal enforcing a kindergarten department in every school throughout the province, no Government grant being permitted without this elemental teaching force. A little book prepared by Mrs. Brander for this object adapts Indian stories, songs, and games for children, and also includes all the flowers and trees indigenous to that country.

THE Hindu Christians recently held their Seventh Annual Convention in Cawnpore. Among many good resolutions passed, were those impressing on their members the necessity of preparing themselves by education and honesty to merit the "patronage of the Government," the importance of "vigorously pushing on" the cause of Temperance, and the duty of all who are earning to provide some means of support for their families by subscribing to Provident or Insurance funds. To foster industrial arts, an exhibition was planned to be held under the auspices of the Indian Christian Association.

IT is a significant endorsement of Christian Missions when we learn that Miss Isabella Bird (Mrs. Bishop) purposes active

missionary work in India, where she already has erected five Hospitals and is making evangelistic efforts in connection with them.

AMONG many progressive laws passed by the last Diet of Japan is one forbidding the use of tobacco to all who are under twenty years of age, it having been stated that the use of the weed is so universal as to prove a serious detriment to the young. The enactment of such a law proves how eager the Japanese are for progress in every direction, so that the Empire may take a prominent position in the history of the East.

WHILE Consul General John Goodnow was in this country, on a short furlough, he said: "I was not pro-missionary when I went to China. I believed, like a good many others, that five cents given to Chinese missions meant two dollars more to bring the missionaries back. I found I was mistaken.

"Of the hospitals in China that I know are doing good for the poor of the country, all but two are conducted by American missionaries. In Shanghai three women doctors and a woman apothecary, all Americans, conduct a hospital [Margaret Williamson] which last year gave free treatment to nearly forty thousand suffering Chinese."

THIS terse sentence is worth memorizing: "The problem of life is not to make life easier, but to make men stronger, so that no problem should be beyond their solution."

The International Missionary Union will hold its eighteenth annual meeting, June 5-11, 1901, at Clifton Springs, N. Y. For further information address

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IN EASTERN LANDS.

INDIA—JHANSI.

GAINING FRIENDS.

By DR. ALICE L. ERNST.

IN January we had three patients in the Mary S. Ackerman Hoyt Hospital, two of whom were operated on, and will soon go home entirely cured. The third case is a poor little girl of nine, who had a terrible fall and injured her back, causing two large abscesses to form. The two other patients came from very respectable Mohammedan families and are very happy with us. In order to familiarize the Dispensary patients with the Hospital I often take them there and show them the neat, clean beds and other things for their comfort, and it is delightful to hear the in-patients tell them how happy they are, and urge them not to be afraid, as we will be real friends to them. Our old patients will be our greatest recommendation, and while the work will necessarily be slow at first, its progress will be sure.

The Dispensary Department was opened in July, and its daily attendance numbers sometimes forty or more.

The medical work here is slowly but surely winning the confidence of the people, not only of the lower classes, but of those in the recognized highest castes. During the past two years I have attended relatives of a Hindu family of influential position as well as of high caste, and the head of it is most favorable towards our work, and ready to render us good service. Recently I was called to a woman in his family, and the boy I ushered into the world is the fifth living generation. When he was born, there were present in the house his grandfather and grandmother, his great-grandfather and great-grandmother, and his great-*great*-grandmother, and there was much rejoicing.

One morning I met in the native city the little girl who was treated successfully in the Hospital. Her face beamed with pleasure when she saw me, and she spoke gratefully of what had been done for her to the several people who stood near. She was first brought to our Dispensary, and her relatives, who were strangers to me and came with much fear, would not listen to my earnest pleading to let her stay in the Hospital. For some days she was carried by her

mother and sister to the Dispensary, and as they learned to know us better they trusted us more, and finally allowed the child to enter our Hospital, where she could receive proper nourishment. The improvement was marked in a week, and at the end of three she left us perfectly well and looking the picture of health.

While with us we taught her some Scripture verses, and tried to give her a clear idea of the way of salvation. She is a Hindu, and although only nine years old is married.

ALLAHABAD.

WAITING FOR A TOUCH.

By MISS EDITH H. MAY.

LATELY I visited a bright, intelligent Brahmo woman. The Brahmo's belief corresponds somewhat to that of Unitarians, viz.: they believe in Jesus Christ as a great teacher, but not as the Son of God. The woman took me up-stairs to her room, to recite her lesson, because as she said, "the baby Robin had been left asleep on the bed." It amused me to hear the English names of the children, which their father evidently likes. A boy of four had the name of Bob, and the little girl of seven, who clung to her mother through the whole lesson, was called Miss Kitty. I asked the little woman to tell me what she believed, and this led us on to show her that if Jesus was the great Teacher as she declared, she should believe whatever He teaches concerning Himself. She seemed greatly interested and promised to read St. John's Gospel carefully. We prayed and she followed with a prayer that God would teach her the Truth.

Some of our Zenana women who have been studying the Gospels of Luke and John and also the Book of Genesis asked me to question them, so that I might know how well they had understood them. My heart went out to them, as they seemed not only to understand the letter but the spirit of what they had been taught, and I longed that they might come out for Christ definitely. Many no longer worship heathen gods, but although they pray and read God's Word they fail to take a direct stand for Christ and seem to be waiting for a touch of the Spirit of God to carry them on. Special prayer is being offered all over India, and it seems as if a great awakening cannot be far distant.

HEARING OF CHRIST.

By MISS L. RODERICK.

THE willingness shown by many of our pupils in the Zenanas to study and to hear the Scripture makes it a pleasure to teach them. In a Zenana where I have two pupils, a woman of twenty and a girl of ten, both study St. Luke's Gospel, the "Peep of Day," a catechism of Scripture truths, and a selection of Bible texts which they commit to memory. The girl shows a true love for Christ and His Word. She asked me to write a prayer for her to say every day, and then in her simple and earnest manner said that she loved Christ and to read about Him. Some did not love Him, like one of her relatives, who wished to learn to knit a baby's cap, but would not ask me to teach her, because she would have to learn about Christ. Christ is certainly leading this child in the way of truth.

In another Zenana I have four bright, energetic, eager pupils; three are sisters, the youngest seven and the eldest about ten; the fourth is their aunt, a woman of eighteen. I had a fifth pupil here, a middle-aged widow, but she does not find time to take lessons now, owing to press of housework, but she informed me that she reads the book that I have given her about Christ every night, which is the only time that she has leisure. The youngest of the sisters attends a Hindu Bengali school, but remains at home to read the Gospels with me the day I visit their home.

In another Bengali house I have a sad-faced pupil, slow of understanding and crushed in spirit, as her husband has become insane through drink. For years she lived in abject meekness with the man, whom her relatives would not tolerate, but who in utter selfishness walled off a portion of their house so that she and her husband should remain apart from them; it was only when he attempted to take her father's life that he was sent to a lunatic asylum. This woman is the only one of the family who listens with quiet interest to the Scripture lesson; the others seem steeped in Hinduism and only stirred up to talk about their gods if I speak to them of Christ. They are strong on the point that Ram, Shiva, Krishna, with their other deities, are as true incarnations of God as I hold my Christ to be. Even a little girl of ten in the house surprised me by the per-

tinacity with which she declared that her gods were true, and could work miracles.

Her older sister, a fine-looking young woman of twenty-four, full of fire and spirit, had a talk with me on the same subject last week. She spoke rapidly and excitedly, and seemed so full of emotion that when talking she would rise to her full height and then sink back into her seat again. She would rather not have me speak at all, but I asked her to stop and hear what I had to say. I asked her if she believed God to be holy. She answered: "I believe, as you do, in a perfectly holy God." I then asked if that belief was consistent with her belief that the Hindu incarnations are true incarnations of God. I said: "The god Shiva in your Shastras is described as one who indulged in intoxicants; and Krishna, your favorite god, was licentious. These are creations of man's gross imaginations, so gross that to read or think of them is pollution." But she clung to her gods, though she had to admit that the stories connected with them were debasing to the mind.

The Hindus are illogical, and the myths that were originated during the childhood of their race are strangely mixed up in their minds with certain fundamental truths. Abstract ideas of truth can never regenerate the mind. Christ, who is The Truth, through His Spirit alone can do this, and where the Scriptures that testify of Him are heard and read, light must come.

CAWNPORE.

OUR WOMEN'S HOME.

By MISS CLARA M. BEACH.

THE Home, which has been established for five years, has seen great changes.

The former members of the Home have either married or are earning their living in some honorable way, some of them by working for our Mission. Three have been trained as teachers, two of whom are doing good work in our city schools, and another is proving herself almost indispensable in the Home as Matron. None of these formerly could tell one character from another, while now the majority can read well in the Bible, and though not as firm Christians as we could wish, still the transformation has been simply wonderful.

We have twelve at present, all being young widows or deserted women from the famine this year. None are over twenty-five years of age, and some are scarcely out of girlhood.

One came into the railway car, when I was going down into the famine district, with no ticket, scarcely any clothing, and so weak that she simply sank down exhausted. I gave her half a loaf of bread which she eagerly devoured, and she *begged* to go with me. Now she is robust and healthy and progressing in her studies. It would be difficult to find twelve happier, better-natured young women, who do all their own work and sew for the school. The prospects for the Home never seemed brighter than now, and our aim is to train quickly workers to teach others of the Christ they have learned to love. Will you not with us pray that this Home be richly blest of God, and that every inmate may be a true follower of Christ and lead others to follow Him?

CALCUTTA.

GROWING INTERESTS.

By Miss E. COSTELLOW.

AS I superintend one of the outside schools now, I generally walk over from the Orphanage and distribute a good many tracts on the way, as many of the people are eager for them. I long to go into the houses which I pass and talk with the women, but as yet I have not found time for it.

My brightest and best girl, ten years old, has just been taken from school because she is to be married. I had a little talk with her a few weeks ago, and she said that she believed in Christ. I asked her if she prayed at home, and she said she did every day, and that her mother believed, too, and when she read her Bible would ask her to read it aloud so that she might hear. In her eager, bright way she told me that the people in the house said she would be a Christian if she read the Bible so much—and I pray that it may be so. I went to her home as I wished to see her and her mother, and I found she lives in a Zenana house, where are at least eight women. I was ushered

into a room and these women all came in, followed by children of various sizes, including a boy of about fifteen years. One of the Babus of the house came in and greeted me speaking in broken English, asking what Mission I belonged to. He made some remarks about Americans in general, thanked me for coming to see the child and said good-by. I promised the women to come again before very long, and I shall not only take a hymn book but go prepared to give a Bible lesson.

We have quite a number of new girls in the Lily Lytle Broadwell Memorial School this year, and all seem to be very promising. It is holiday time and a number have gone home, and a few are visiting at the Orphanage, from which some of them were transferred. They are very fond of coming whenever they can. It is home to them. We have organized branches of the Y. W. C. A. both in the school and Orphanage, which the girls enjoy. They have prayer-meetings by themselves, also meetings conducted by the Y. W. C. A. workers in the city.

One of our Orphanage girls is to be married next week. She seems very happy in the prospect, and, as I think her prospective husband is a good man, I hope they will have a happy home.

Our work brings cares and responsibilities, yet there are many blessed results already seen, and day by day we are made to feel that our "labor is not in vain in the Lord." We need much patience and love and wisdom in dealing with the children, and the Lord very graciously bestows it upon us, and so we are able, by His power alone, to lead these girls toward Him. Sometimes as the little ones cling about me and I look in their uplifted faces, I realize something of the great privilege which has been given me, and I pray that not one may be left out when the Lord shall come to make up His jewels.

MOSLEM missionaries are becoming active in East Africa, where they have found a wide field among the natives, who are ready to exchange a faith so attractive in promises for a future life, for their old fetish worship, which imposes much suffering upon its followers.

HOME NOTES.

OUR GROWING FUND.

NOTHING gave us greater pleasure on our Fortieth Anniversary than the numerous birthday gifts sent to us to swell our Century Fund. The very words by which they were introduced are so stimulating we venture to reproduce a few.

Among our recent legacies was one of \$5000.00, from a warm friend, Dr. Edward H. Williams of Philadelphia, who many years ago visited our missions in the East, and became convinced of their efficiency and success. His son, Prof. Edward H. Williams, Jr., writes: "For many years you have had on your books the names of my parents, deceased, and that of my wife and four eldest children. I now take pleasure in introducing to the Society other relatives, and enclose a check for \$200.00 to pay for their life membership."

A friend in Morristown, N. J., writes: "I enclose \$25.00 for the Twentieth Century Fund of the Woman's Union Missionary Society. God bless the work and the workers."

Another in New York City says: "It is so long since I have done anything for the Woman's Union that I feel thoroughly ashamed of myself. Enclosed is my check for \$10.00 for the Century Fund. I will have you in my heart and prayers that a great work may still be done by your Society in the coming years."

The president of Zephath Circle of King's Daughters in White Lake, N. Y., sends an offering of \$5.00, adding: "I sincerely wish it might be increased to \$15.00, the need seems so great all over the world for more missionaries and more money to sustain them. But the work is in His hand who will not suffer it to fail and is able to bless and increase even the handful at the bottom of the barrel."

H. E. B., Richmond Borough, N. Y., writes: "I enclose something for the object the Society has in view, with a deep sense of the great work of Woman's Mission to Woman, and with the sincere hope that the work which has been blessed through the past may continue to grow until the day dawn when all wrong shall cease."

Mrs. V. A. R. M., from Brooklyn, N. Y. writes: "You will find enclosed a gift. May the dear Lord bless every effort put forth this new century for the lifting of woman

from darkness of heathendom into the light and liberty of the Gospel of Christ."

A BLESSED MEMORY.

AT the morning session of our 40th Anniversary, which was largely given to memories of the past, the following tribute to one of our Vice-Presidents was given by Mrs. Frederick Burnham:

"Mrs. H. A. Buttolph, Vice-President of this Union Society for many years, loved it with all the ardor of her warm heart, and never missed an opportunity of speaking of its work to others and advancing its interests in every way in her power. As an instance of this, the writer well remembers an invitation from Mrs. Buttolph during her residence at Morris Plains, to meet Mrs. Pruyn and Mrs. Proudfit, 'in order to interest you in foreign missions.' That day will ever be memorable to me, as the time when my eyes were opened to the claims of the heathen world upon every Christian, however small her opportunities might be. Mrs. Buttolph was in a glow of enthusiasm, and drew Mrs. Pruyn on to speak of her work in Japan. That evening Mrs. Pruyn spoke before a large audience in Morristown. Her eloquent plea for the Union Missionary Society was so moving that there was scarcely a dry eye in the room.

"Mrs. Buttolph soon formed a Mission Band in Morris Plains, holding its meetings in her parlor. The Band supported Kane Sudzuki, a pupil in the Yokohama school, who married a Christian teacher, and went to a distant island, where Christianity had never been known.

"She was particularly fond of Miss Crosby, of Yokohama, and often spoke to me of her wonderful work among the Japanese girls.

"Mrs. Buttolph, stately woman as she was, threw her whole soul into the meetings of this Band, composed of simple farmers' wives and attendants at the asylum. Her faith and persistence in prayer were remarkable. On one occasion after prayer had been offered she said: 'Will you not pray again? You did not ask how we should get the money.'

"We shall miss her enthusiastic piety, and her gracious, loving welcome to all who were so fortunate as to be her friends. May the mantle of her childlike faith and ardent love fall upon us who remain!"

MAKE THE BEST OF IT.

By C. H. WETHERBE.

YOU may not be suited with the place you are in, nor the kind of work you are doing, nor with the most of the people around you; but make the best of your situation. Christ had many annoyances to submit to; His surroundings were often exceedingly unpleasant; He was frequently complained of by the very ones whom He heartily and wonderfully blest; yet He always made the best of His circumstances and experiences. He did not come into this world for His own convenience and comfort; it was for others that He bore reproaches and endured ingratitude. Rev. Stopford A. Brooke says: "We complain of the slow, dull life we are forced to lead, of our humble sphere of action, of our low position in the scale of society, of our having no room to make ourselves known, of our wasted energies, of our years of patience. So do we say that we have no Father who is directing our life; so do we say that God has forgotten us; so do we boldly judge what life is best for us, and so by our complaining do we lose the use and profit of the quiet years. O men of little faith! Because you are not sent out yet into your labor, do you think God has ceased to remember you? Because you are forced to be outwardly inactive, do you think you, also, may not be, in your years of quiet, 'about your Father's business'?"

MEMORIAL.

ANOTHER great bereavement has fallen upon our Society in the death of Mrs. O. F. Avery, of Chicago, our influential and honored Vice-President and the organizer of our Chicago Branch, which she served in several offices. In the report of 1870 Mrs. Avery has so tersely narrated the story of this active Branch we cannot follow its work better than by transcribing a portion of it:

"Although scarce a year has passed since the organization of this Branch of the W. U. M. S., yet the interest in the cause is by no means a new thing in Chicago. In the spring of 1866 a number of influential ladies pledged themselves as Collectors for five

years for the Parent Society. Several Mission Bands were soon formed and three Bible-readers were supported by specific contributions. The formation of our Union Society was an inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of its founders; a baptism of faith and prayer attended its birth, and it has received the Divine benediction both at home and abroad. Full well had we known before that woman was down-trodden and degraded in lands unblest with Gospel light; but since our missionaries have lifted the veil from the homes of heathen women, and portrayed the miseries of their hidden lives, a deeper chord of sympathy has been struck as never before. In the responsive work of our Society, the incense of praise has ascended for the unspeakable blessings Christianity has brought to us. In view of the mercies attending the work of our Society, we hope that our friends will stand by us; induce others to enlist under our banner, and with faith, humility, and prayer labor on until death, that we, with those for whom we labor, may inherit a crown of life."

The closing sentences reveal the secret of Mrs. Avery's consecration, which subsequently led to the founding of the Mary A. Merriman Orphanage in Cawnpore, India, in memory of a beloved daughter. The prayers which followed each little orphan gathered into that fold were doubly blessed to us at home and to the two hundred children in India, who have learned to know of the Tender Shepherd through our faithful co-worker's active service.

Mrs. Avery brought to our cause a strong belief in the principles of our foundation, keen, dispassionate judgment and common sense inherited from her New England ancestry, and therefore many was the service she could render us in the selection of missionaries. To her we must ever be indebted in securing for us our beloved and revered pioneer teacher in our Yokohama school, Mrs. L. H. Pierson, the very memory of whom is fraught with thanksgiving for what God permitted her to accomplish for Japanese girls and women, who still "arise and call her blessed."

As these pioneers in our Society lay down the work they prosecuted so loyally and faithfully, our prayer is, that some youthful heart will be inspired to step into their vacant places and carry aloft our banner.



COOKING IN OUR MARY A. MERRIMAN SCHOOL.

(Permission of Christian Herald.)

FOR MISSION BANDS.

A SWAZIE DIAMOND.

By LIZZIE THOMSON.

DEAR Lamashinini! Let me tell you her story. She is a Swazie girl, and lives in a kraal close by our mission station at Ezulwini, in South Africa, or rather, I should say, was living there last year, when we all had to leave Swazieland, and the people we love so much, on account of the war.

I first heard of Lamashinini in the end of May, 1899. Miss Forbord, a Norwegian missionary, was helping us, and one day roasted coffee beans and said: "I'm going over to Japan's kraal to get one of the girls to grind them for me."

The kraal was just close by our house, not five minutes' walk. Presently she returned with all the beans crushed into nice brown coffee, and in answer to our question "Who ground them for you?" she said, "Lamashinini, and she has promised to come to the night-school." Little did we then realize that

the money thus earned, was so soon to go towards purchasing her first cotton frock.

To the night-school she came, a bright, merry, wild Swazie girl, about fourteen years old, a favorite daughter of her father, our chief, and the ringleader in all that went on in the kraal, whether good or evil. There she stood among the group of girls, half laughing, half shy, her little black woolly head bent down, and her face with its bright dark eyes half hidden by her blanket. That was my first introduction.

She continued to come to school, and on the following Sunday evening she and several others came over for a little informal meeting, where we had hymns, prayer, and a short Gospel message. At the close, Miss Harris asked if there were any present who would that night give themselves to Jesus, and let Him save them from all sin. To our astonishment Lamashinini said boldly out before the others, "I will." We hardly dared to believe that she meant it, knowing what it would cost her; but during the four months

that passed between that evening and the day we left Ezulwini, we had every reason to believe, not so much from her words as from *her life*, that she is truly "born again" of God's Spirit, "a new creature in Christ Jesus."

Morning by morning, at the sound of the prayer bell, we would see her flying down the path from the kraal, and there she would sit listening eagerly to the words of Him who loves her and whom she has learned to love.

Almost every day she came once to school, and very often twice, and we are full of praise that she was able to do so, and she learned enough to be able to read her Testament, though slowly and imperfectly, and so when we had to teach her, it was with God's own Word, and His Holy Spirit to be her teacher.

One of the first things she longed for was a dress, so she went off to the mountains and gathered bundles of firewood, and brought them to us till she had earned enough, with what she had got for grinding the coffee, to get a nice cotton frock, which she valued far, far more than if we had given it to her. This frock was kept for Sundays, but she soon learned to sew, and made herself another one to wear at home during the week. Her light was not hidden.

All in the kraal knew whose she was, and she had not one in sympathy with her, although the fact that she was a favorite of her father saved her from much real persecution. Without hesitation she gave up that terrible evil, Kaffir beer, and when there was a drink and dance at the kraal she came over to us and spent the day quietly with our two native children, and when we told her that we were going away, she sobbed with tears in her eyes: "Oh, what shall I do when they are drinking? I know they will try to make me sin." We told her that though *we* were going, *Jesus* would be there with her, mighty to keep her from harm.

About three weeks after her conversion all Japan's daughters were called to the King's kraal to cut reeds for a new hut he was having built, and our hearts sank within us when Lois told us, because the King's kraal is such a *terribly* wicked place, and we could not bear to think of our Lamashinini going there, and yet we knew that unless her father gave her leave she *must* go.

A Swazie girl is the property of her father, and has no choice but to obey him. But we

need not have feared, for Jesus knows how to care for His little ones, and He touched old Japan's heart so that, though all the other girls had to go, Lamashinini was permitted to stay at home with the children. How glad our hearts were!

And now will you ask the Lord Jesus to help you to love and pray for Lamashinini, left alone in a heathen kraal in a heathen country, now nearly fifteen months ago, and so lately brought out of heathen darkness? Ask that she may not only be kept true herself, but that her life and testimony may be used to draw others to Jesus, that when we return, which we hope will be very soon, we may find very many just ready to enter, if not already in, the Kingdom of God. Then we shall have the joy of telling you "what God hath wrought in answer to your prayers."—From "Diamonds" printed in *The Christian*.

OUR FLOWERS.

By KAME EUDO.

(Pupil in our Yokohama School.)

TO-DAY I was walking in my garden. I thought I would write you about Japanese flowers. This is the time for plum blossoms, and we can find them in almost every house. There are two kinds, the red and the white. There are many places which are famous for the beautiful plum blossoms. The trees are in full bloom in February. After the plum blossoms are all gone the cherry blossoms begin to come out, and the Japanese consider cherry as the queen of flowers. The single bloom first and then the double, which are so beautiful that many people compose poems about them.

White and pink lotus flowers are very handsome and they are rather large. Early in the morning if we go to the pond where they are growing we can hear them open with a loud sound. In the autumn when all the other flowers are gone, we have the chrysanthemums, our national flower, of many colors and many shapes. There are places in Tokyo where they train these flowers, over frames so as to look like men and women dolls, animals, etc. These are well known, and every year thousands of visitors come from every part of Japan to see them.

RECEIPTS of the Woman's Union Missionary Society of America for Heathen Lands from March 1 to March 31, 1901.

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Barnstead.—A Friend, \$6 00

MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston.—Boston Br., Mrs. Henry Johnson, Treas.:
Mrs. Walter Baker Mem'l Band, Miss E. B. Sharp, Treas., Miss M. L. Richardson, for support of child, M. A. M. Orphanage, 20.00;
for Marion Houston, Bible Reader, Cawnpore, 30.00. Total, \$50 00
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Springfield.—Mrs. A. S. McClean, for M. W. Hospital, 10 00

Total, \$62 50

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Windsor.—Miss A. M. Sill, for work at Cawnpore, 50 00

Total, \$107 00

NEW YORK.

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Mrs. W. P. Halsted's collection (see list below), 250 10
Zenana Society (Central Cong. Ch.), Miss M. L. Spring, Treas.: For salary of teacher, Allahabad, 240.00; for support of school, Cawnpore, 50.00; for tuition of pupil in Yokohama School, 40.00. Total, 330 00

Estate of Mrs. Emily C. Thorp, part payment of legacy by executors, 1500 00

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Collected by Miss C. S. Vanderbilt: Miss C. S. Vanderbilt, 3.00; Mrs. E. A. Martense, 4.00; Mrs. L. A. Wilbur, 2.00; Mrs. W. G. Longmire, 2.00; Miss Sarah Brown, 2.00; Miss Maggie Rhodes, 2.00; Mrs. E. B. Vanderveer, 1.00; Mrs. Gilbert Hicks, 1.00; Mrs. Glover, .50. Total, 17 50

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Miss M. Collins, 20 00

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Total, \$1924 06

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Grand total, \$10,374 46

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From Christ Memorial R. E. Ch. S.-S., per H. Percival Allen, Treas.,	50 00
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